

DENTAL ADMISSION TESTING PROGRAM

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OVERVIEW

Introduction

The Dental Admission Test (DAT) is conducted by the American Dental Association (ADA) and has been in operation on a national basis since 1950. The Dental Admission Test is administered by computer through Prometric Testing Centers throughout the year. The testing program is designed to measure general academic ability, comprehension of scientific information, and perceptual ability. While all dental schools require examinees to participate in the Dental Admission Testing Program, test results are only one factor considered in evaluating the admission potential of an examinee. Validity studies conducted by the testing program have shown that test scores in conjunction with college transcripts are useful in predicting performance. The relative importance of these predictors in the admission process is determined by the dental school.

Information for Dental School Applicants

The usual pre-professional education requirement for admission to dental school stipulates at least two academic years of liberal arts study; however, many dental schools in the United States require three or more years of college. Applicants should be aware that 90% of the first-year dental class completed four years of pre-professional education and that 82% of the first-year dental class received a baccalaureate degree prior to dental school enrollment.

There are certain basic pre-dental education courses that must be completed prior to enrollment in dental school. Because dental schools vary with regard to the required pre-dental education courses, it is essential that the applicant contact the appropriate schools to determine specific admission requirements. The ADA Council on Dental Education and Licensure supports the acquisition of a baccalaureate degree prior to dental school enrollment.

Ethical Conduct in Applying to Dental Education Programs

This statement of ethical conduct relates to all individuals seeking admission to pre-doctoral dental education programs. The beginning of the application process is the time to understand and abide by the principles set forth in this document.

The ADA and the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) have developed this statement in collaboration, as both organizations play roles in the admissions process. The ADA sponsors the DAT and ADEA sponsors the Associated American Dental Schools Application Service (AADSAS). AADSAS is a centralized pre-doctoral application service in which 52 U.S. and Canadian dental schools participate.

The American Dental Association Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct states:

The dental profession holds a special position of trust within society. As a consequence, society affords the profession certain privileges that are not available to members of the public-at-large. In return, the profession makes a commitment to society that its members will adhere to high ethical standards of conduct. These standards are embodied in the ADA Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct (ADA Code). The ADA Code is, in effect, a written expression of the obligations arising from the implied contract between the

dental profession and society.

Members of the dental profession voluntarily abide by the ADA Code in the interest of protecting patients and maintaining the trust of society as a whole. Submission of an application to a dental education program is the first step in the process of becoming a member of the dental profession. With the application comes the obligation to uphold the highest level of honesty and ethical behavior. An applicant is held to the same high standards for truth, full disclosure, and accuracy in the application process to which a member of the dental profession is expected to aspire in their capacity as a member of the profession. Applicants to pre-doctoral dental educational programs are expected to understand and comply with the standards expressed in this statement in their applications for admission to dental school and their applications to take the DAT.

Behavior that results in misconduct or irregularity in the dental education programs admissions process is a very serious matter. An applicant who acts unethically risks being denied admission to dental education programs. Moreover, such unethical actions, if disclosed after enrollment in a program or at the beginning of dental practice, can result in more serious outcomes. It is important that applicants understand the significance of exhibiting professional behavior throughout their careers, starting with the application process.

ADA and ADEA expect strong ethical behavior in all persons who are and who aspire to become members of the profession of dentistry. Applicants may contact both associations for more information about their policies and procedures applicable to misconduct and irregularities in the dental school admissions process.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Requirements for Participation

Successful participation in the Dental Admission Testing Program requires completion of at least one year of collegiate education, which should include courses in biology, and general and organic chemistry. Advanced level biology and physics are not required. Applicants should note that test scores are developed in relationship to all examinees participating in the test and that most applicants complete two or more years of college before taking the test. Applicants to dental school should participate in the Dental Admission Testing Program well in advance of intended dental school enrollment.

Additional Eligibility Requirement

Effective January, 2007 examinees who have attended three or more tests must apply for special permission to take the test again. For test administration purposes, anyone who has been seated at a computer workstation at a Prometric Test Center and started the test by electronically agreeing to the confidentiality statement will be considered as having “attended” the test. This policy includes any previous test attempts. Requests for additional testing must be submitted in writing to the Department of Testing Services and must include evidence of current (within the previous 18 months) intent to apply to dental school. Acceptable forms of evidence include:

- A copy of a completed and submitted application to dental school.
- A letter of rejection from a dental school.
- A letter from a dental school admissions officer encouraging you to retest or reapply.

- A letter on school stationery from a college/university health profession advisor/instructor verifying that you are applying/reapplying to dental school.

The results of the four most recent DATs taken, as well as the total number of DATs taken, are released on the official score report and forwarded to dental schools. Also, the total number of DATs is listed on the official score report of each examinee.

Retesting

Examinees are required to submit a new application and fee for each retest. An examinee must wait at least 90 days to be eligible to apply to retake the DAT. Once notification of eligibility for retesting is received, the examinee is to call the Prometric Contact Center to schedule a retest appointment.

Partial Testing

Partial tests are not permitted. Examinees are required to take all four tests of the DAT program. A score of one is reported for any assigned test not taken. Examinees unable to complete the test must submit a new application and fee before participating in any subsequent testing.

Special Accommodations Examinee

At the discretion of the Dental Admission Testing Program, special accommodations may be made to enable an examinee with a disability to be examined. To request special accommodations, at the time of application you must submit:

1. A written request stating what specific accommodations are requested with the supporting documents.
2. Information describing any past accommodations that have been granted with respect to the disability. Have you previously taken any standardized tests? Did you request any accommodations for those standardized tests? If accommodations were granted, please describe them for each test you took. If the accommodations were not granted, please explain the rationale or response that was provided to you on each such test where you did not receive the requested recommendation.
3. Documentation substantiating the disability must include a professional evaluation diagnosing your disability and the specific recommendations for accommodations.

The report must be written by a professional appropriately qualified to evaluate disabilities and be printed on letterhead with the examiner's credentials, address, and telephone number. The report must include the examinee's name, date of birth, and date of evaluation, and be signed by the examiner. The report must be dated within 12 months of the examinee's application to test. All documentation should be mailed to the American Dental Association, Department of Testing Services, and Attention: Special Accommodations.

In considering a request from an examinee with a disability, the Dental Admission Testing Program is guided by a sense of equity. Special testing accommodations are designed to give the examinee an opportunity equivalent to other examinees, but not to provide an advantage over other examinees. The American Dental Association complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

TESTING APPLICATION AND APPOINTMENT INFORMATION

Test Centers

The DAT is administered by Prometric Test Centers only in the United States, its territories, and Canada. An examinee whose application is accepted will receive a letter informing the examinee to call 800-688-5804 to register for the test. The Prometric Contact Center will schedule the examinee for testing at one of the local Prometric Test Centers. However, the Prometric Contact Center will not register an examinee before receiving authorization from the Department of Testing Services. A list of test centers can be found at www.prometric.com. A local test center cannot schedule, reschedule, or cancel an appointment.

Testing Schedule

The following table indicates the time periods in which the DAT is administered. The examinee will have a total of 4 hours and 15 minutes to complete the four tests in the DAT. If an examinee chooses to take the break, the testing session will resume automatically after 15 minutes have elapsed.

DAT	
Survey of Natural Sciences	90 minutes
Perceptual Ability Test	60 minutes
Optional Break	15 minutes
Reading Comprehension Test	60 minutes
Quantitative Reasoning Test	45 minutes

Electronic or Paper Application

Examinees may submit an electronic application at www.ada.org using a credit card. Examinees may request a print version of the Examinee Guide and a paper application form by submitting a written request via U. S. mail to the Department of Testing Services, or by facsimile to 312-587-4105. Examinees submitting a paper application must pay by certified check or money order. Paper applications must be submitted via U. S. mail. ADA or American Student Dental Association (ASDA) members may pay by personal check, but their membership number must be recorded on the check. Incomplete or incorrect applications will be returned. Applications are processed weekly on Tuesdays. Applications must be received in the office by Monday noon central time to be processed that next day. A new application must be submitted each time an examinee wished to be tested.

If the application and fee are acceptable and the examinee meets the eligibility requirements for testing, the application will be processed. After the application is processed, Prometric will receive notification of the examinee's eligibility for testing and the examinee will receive instructions by letter to call the Prometric Contact Center. The examinee will call 800-688-5804 to register for the test. The day, time, and place for taking the test will be arranged by the examinee when the examinee calls the Prometric Contact Center. The Prometric Contact Center requires at least 48-hours to process eligibility files before examinees can schedule appointments at Prometric Test Centers.

An application may be submitted no more than 12 months before the test date. Any application that does not meet the eligibility requirements will be returned. The examinee is eligible for only a 12-month period. If the examinee does not call, register and take the DAT during this period, the examinee will have to submit another application and fee in order to take the test later. The eligibility period will not be extended.

All information requested on the application must be provided. All information must be accurate. To avoid complications on test day, examinees must use their legal names. *The name on your ID must agree with the name on your DAT application.* Examinees with conflicting IDs will be refused admission to the Prometric Test Center and, as a result, miss their scheduled appointment and lose their application fee.

It is the responsibility of the examinee to complete clearly and accurately all sections of the application. No application can be processed unless the completed application and fee are received at the same time. Please read all of the instructions before completing the application. The examinee will provide accurate information by rechecking the application before sending it. If the application is incorrect or illegible, it will be returned. The application will not be processed without the correct fee or required documentation.

Application changes and corrections must be completed before the application deadline. The examinee is responsible for identifying any corrections or omissions and must notify the Department of Testing Services in writing via U.S. mail or facsimile at 312-587-4105.

The paper application is read by computer. Therefore you should use a dark (No. 2) pencil to complete the form. Do not use ink. Carefully enter only one number, letter, slash or dash per box. Leave a blank box or space when appropriate.

After filling in the appropriate boxes, blacken the matching circles under the boxes. Make sure that the correct circle is filled in properly. (Blanks have no circles to fill in). Correct any errors by completely erasing the errors and/or any stray marks.

In filling out the application, do not skip the columns that are shaded. This shading of columns is provided as a visual aid to assist in the completion of the application. Also, do not fill in two or more circles in a column. Finally, please leave blank boxes or spaces where necessary or appropriate. The information that the examinee provides on the application will be used exactly as provided for all data processing and mailing functions. To avoid errors, please follow each numbered step below in completing the application and proofread carefully.

Several times during the application and testing process, examinees are required to identify themselves. Examinees are required to identify themselves accurately by name and Social Security number or Social Insurance number. Other components of personal identification, such as postal address, year of birth, etc., are also expected to be provided accurately. If it is determined that an examinee has provided a false name or deliberately provided a false Social Security number on the test application, or at the test center, the examinee's scores will be voided, all dental schools will be notified, and the examinee must wait two years before being retested.

The following information may be helpful for filling out the paper application and the Confidential Information form. For questions regarding the electronic or paper application or the electronic application please contact the Department of Testing Services at 800-232-2162.

Paper Application Instructions

Box #1 Name

Print your name in the boxes provided. Print your last name first, then you first name and finally your middle initial. In addition to letters, dashes and blank spaces can be used if appropriate. If your name has more letters than there are boxes, print only as many letters as there are space provided.

Box #2 Social Security number or Canadian Social Insurance number**Box #3. Date of Birth****Box #4 Daytime Phone****Box #5 Principal College Attended**

Please write the name of the principal college you attended. Then find and record the code number for the institution (page 7). If the institution (or the campus or branch of a large college or university system) you attended is not listed, enter its complete name and the city and state in which it is located, but leave the code number circles blank. If your college's code number is listed, please blacken the appropriate circles after you enter the code. Then proceed to Box #6.

Box #6 Special Accommodations

If you are requesting special accommodations because of a disability, your written request and copies of the supporting documents and letters should be provided with your application and fee. Applications for special accommodations because of a disabling condition are not processed without the necessary letters and documents.

Box #7 Dental Schools to Receive Scores

From the list of dental schools (page 16), indicate which schools are to receive a copy of your test results by blackening the appropriate circles. You may include up to five schools at the time of application from the following list without any additional fee. At the time of application, the fee for each school over five is \$25 per copy. Requests made later are \$25 per copy. Please note that all U.S. schools require official score reports from the Dental Admission Testing Program. *Please retain a copy of the schools chosen to receive your scores for you own personal records.*

Box #8 Mailing Address

a. Enter the P.O. Box or address to which correspondence should be mailed. If you have an apartment number, please include it.

b. Enter the city. Blacken the corresponding circles.

c. If your mailing address is in the United States or Canada, enter the appropriate two letter U.S. state, U.S. territory, or Canadian province abbreviation.

d. Enter your U.S. zip code or Canadian postal code. Blacken the appropriate circles. Other examinees leave these circles blank.

e. Blacken the appropriate circle for the country. If other, write the name of the country in the space provided. Also, for other countries, provide any other mailing information that may be necessary.

Box #9 Testing History

Blacken the circle indicating whether you have taken the DAT before. If yes, blacken the circle indicating the number of times.

Box #10 Previous Testing Date

If you have taken the DAT before, blacken the appropriate ovals for the most recent test year.

Box #11 Prehealth Advisor

Blacken the circle indicating if you wish a copy of your results sent to your pre-health advisor.

Box #12 Recruitment Availability

Indicate whether you want your name made available to dental schools for recruitment purposes.

Box #13 Minority Recruitment

Indicate whether you want to be considered a minority applicant for recruitment purposes. If so, your name and address will be made available to dental schools.

Box #14 Military Recruitment

Indicate whether you would like to be contacted regarding U.S. military scholarships.

Box #15 Fee

The DAT testing fee is \$175. If you are requesting that your results be sent to more than five dental schools, please multiply the number in excess of five times \$25, and enter the amount.

Please determine the total amount and enter the total fee in the boxes. Blacken the corresponding circles. Please send a cashier's check or a money order for the total amount with your application form, Confidential Information Form and any required letters. The cashier's check or money order should be made payable to the Dental Admission Test. Members of the ADA or ASDA may write a personal check, but their membership number must be recorded on the check.

Please read the statement at the bottom of the second page of your application form. Please sign your name and date. *Do not print your name. Your signature is required.* By signing the application you confirm that the information provided is true and accurate and that you have read the testing regulations and agree to abide by them. You also agree to resolve any legal differences by arbitration.

PRINCIPAL COLLEGES ATTENDED (THESE ARE NOT TEST CENTERS)

Alabama

001009 Auburn University, Main Campus
 001012 Birmingham Southern College
 001016 University of Northern Alabama
 001020 Jacksonville State University
 001033 Oakwood College
 001036 Samford University
 001041 Spring Hill College
 001050 Tuskegee Institute
 001051 University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa
 001052 University of Alabama, Birmingham
 001057 University of South Alabama
 008310 Auburn University, Montgomery

Arizona

001081 Arizona State University
 001082 Northern Arizona University
 001083 University of Arizona

Arkansas

001090 Arkansas State University, Main Campus
 001092 University of Central Arkansas
 001098 Henderson State University
 001099 Hendrix College
 001101 University of Arkansas, Little Rock
 001102 Quachita Baptist University
 001107 South Arkansas University, Main Campus
 001108 University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

California

001326 Santa Clara University
 001137 California State University, Fullerton
 001138 California State University, Hayward
 001139 California State University, Long Beach
 001140 California State University, Los Angeles
 001141 California State University, Dominguez Hills
 001142 California State University, San Bernardino
 001143 California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo

001144 California Polytechnic University, Pomona
 001146 California State University, Chico Campus
 001147 California State University, Fresno
 001150 California State University, Sacramento
 001151 San Diego State University
 001153 California State University, Northridge
 001154 San Francisco State University
 001155 San Jose State University
 001156 Sonoma State University
 001216 University of LaVerne
 001215 La Sierra University
 001218 Loma Linda University
 001238 Mills College Oakland
 001249 Occidental College, Los Angeles
 001258 Pacific Union College
 001262 Point Loma College, San Diego
 001264 Pepperdine College
 001272 San Bernardino Valley College
 001286 Santa Monica College
 001305 Stanford University
 001312 University of California, Berkeley
 001313 University of California, Davis
 001314 University of California, Irvine
 001315 University of California, Los Angeles
 001316 University of California, Riverside
 001317 University of California, San Diego
 001319 University of California, San Francisco
 001320 University of California, Santa Barbara
 001321 University of California, Santa Cruz
 001325 University of San Francisco
 001328 University of Southern California
 001329 University of the Pacific
 001342 Whittier College
 010395 University of San Diego
 011649 Loyola Marymount University

Colorado

001347 Colorado College
 001349 University of Northern Colorado, Greeley
 001350 Colorado State University
 001353 Fort Lewis College
 001363 Regis College
 001369 U.S. Air Force Academy
 001370 University of Colorado, Boulder
 001371 University of Denver

Connecticut

001385 Fairfield University
 001402 Quinnipiac University
 001414 Trinity College
 001416 University of Bridgeport
 001424 Wesleyan University
 001426 Yale University
 008718 University of Connecticut, Storrs
 009030 University of Connecticut, Farmington

Delaware

001431 University of Delaware

District of Columbia

001434 American University
 001437 Catholic University of America
 001443 Gallaudet University
 001444 George Washington University
 001445 Georgetown University
 001448 Howard University
 001441 University of District of Columbia

Florida

001466 Barry College
 001481 Florida Atlantic University
 001489 Florida State University
 001495 Jacksonville University
 001506 Miami Dade Community College
 001512 Palm Beach Community College
 001531 Stetson University
 001535 University of Florida
 001536 University of Miami
 001537 University of South Florida
 001538 University of Tampa
 003954 University of Central Florida

003955 University of West Florida
 009635 Florida International University

Georgia

001546 Armstrong Atlantic State University
 001552 Augusta College
 001561 Columbus College
 001564 Emory University
 001566 Fort Valley State College
 001569 Georgia Institute Technology
 001572 Georgia Southern College
 001574 Georgia State University
 001580 Mercer University, Main Campus
 001582 Morehouse College
 001583 Morris Brown College
 001590 Savannah State College
 001594 Spelman College
 001598 University of Georgia
 001599 Valdosta State College
 001601 West Georgia College

Hawaii

001610 University of Hawaii at Manoa

Idaho

001616 Boise State University
 001620 Idaho State University
 001626 University of Idaho

Illinois

001633 Augustana College
 001641 Bradley University
 001671 DePaul University
 001674 Eastern Illinois University
 001676 Elmhurst College
 001692 Illinois State University
 001693 Northeastern Illinois University
 001694 Chicago State University
 001696 Illinois Wesleyan University
 001707 Lewis University
 001710 Loyola University of Chicago
 001724 Milliken University
 001725 Monmouth College
 001737 Northern Illinois University

Indiana

001786 Ball State University
 001788 Butler University
 001792 DePauw University
 001795 University of Evansville
 001801 Hanover College
 001808 University of Southern Indiana, Evansville

Louisiana

002004 Dillard University
 002005 Nicholls State College
 002008 Louisiana Technology University
 002010 Louisiana State University & Agri. & Mech.
 & Herbert Laws Center, Baton Rouge
 002011 Louisiana State University, Alexandria
 002013 Louisiana State University, Shreveport
 002015 University of New Orleans
 002016 Loyola University, New Orleans
 002017 McNeese State University
 002020 University of Louisiana, Monroe
 002021 Northwestern State University of Louisiana
 002024 Southeastern Louisiana University
 002029 Tulane University
 002031 University of Southwestern Louisiana
 002032 Xavier University of Louisiana
 09636 Southern University & A & M College at
 Baton Rouge
 002403 Delta State University
 002410 Jackson State University
 002414 Millsaps College
 002415 Mississippi College
 002423 Mississippi State University
 002439 Tougaloo College
 002440 University of Mississippi
 002441 University of Southern Mississippi

Maine

002038 Bowdoin College
 002053 University of Maine, Orono

Maryland

002067 Columbia Union College
 002068 Coppin State College
 002073 Goucher College
 002077 Johns Hopkins University

002078 Loyola College
 002083 Morgan State University
 002086 Mount St. Mary's College
 002099 Towson State University
 02101 U.S. Naval Academy
 002103 University of Maryland, College Park
 Campus
 002105 University of Maryland, Baltimore
 County Campus
 002107 Villa Julie College

Massachusetts

002118 Assumption College
 002120 Merrimack College
 002128 Boston College
 002130 Boston University
 002133 Brandeis University
 002139 Clark University
 002141 College of the Holy Cross
 002155 Harvard University
 002165 Massachusetts College of Pharmacy
 002188 Salem State College
 002192 Mount Holyoke College
 002199 Northeastern University
 002209 Smith College
 002217 Stonehill College
 002218 Suffolk University
 002219 Tufts University
 002221 University of Massachusetts, Amherst
 002222 University of Massachusetts, Boston

Michigan

002234 Adrian College
 002235 Albion College
 002238 Andrews University
 002243 Central Michigan University
 002259 Eastern Michigan University
 002260 Ferris State University
 002272 Hillsdale College
 002273 Hope College
 002275 Kalamazoo College
 002282 Madonna College
 002290 Michigan State University
 002292 Michigan Technology University
 002301 Northern Michigan University

Michigan (continued)

002307 Oakland University
 002323 University of Detroit Mercy
 002329 Wayne State University
 002330 Western Michigan University
 009092 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
 909092 University of Michigan, Dearborn

Minnesota

002346 Concordia College at Moorehead
 002353 Gustavus Adolphus College
 002358 Macalister College
 002360 Mankato State University
 002377 St. Cloud State University
 002379 St. John's University
 002380 St. Mary's College
 002382 St. Olaf College
 002386 United Theological Seminary
 002388 University of Minnesota, Duluth
 002389 University of Minnesota, Morris
 003969 University of Minnesota Twin Cities,
 Minneapolis

Mississippi

002397 Belhaven College
 002403 Delta State University
 002410 Jackson State University
 002414 Millsaps College
 002415 Mississippi College
 002423 Mississippi State University
 002439 Tougaloo College
 002440 University of Mississippi
 002441 University of Southern Mississippi

Missouri

002454 Central Missouri State University
 002461 Drury College
 002495 Truman State University
 002496 Northwest Missouri State University
 002499 Rockhurst College
 002501 Southeast Missouri State University
 002503 Southwest Missouri State University
 002512 Stephens College

002516 University of Missouri, Columbia
 002518 University of Missouri, Kansas City
 002519 University of Missouri, St. Louis
 002520 Washington University
 002523 Westminster College
 002524 William Jewell College

Montana

002526 Carroll College
 002532 Montana State University
 002536 University of Montana

Nebraska

002542 Creighton University
 002544 Doane College
 002551 University of Nebraska at Kearney
 002554 University of Nebraska, Omaha
 002555 Nebraska Wesleyan University
 002565 University of Nebraska, Lincoln
 002566 Wayne State College

Nevada

002568 University of Nevada, Reno
 002569 University of Nevada, Las Vegas

New Hampshire

002573 Dartmouth College
 002587 St. Anselm's College
 002589 University of New Hampshire, Durham

New Jersey

002603 Drew University
 002605 Fairleigh Dickinson University, Madison
 002607 Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck
 002617 Montclair State University
 002621 New Jersey Institute of Technology
 002625 William Paterson University
 002627 Princeton University
 002631 Rutgers University, Newark
 002632 Seton Hall University
 002639 Stevens Institute of Technology
 004741 Rutgers University, Camden
 006964 Rutgers University, New Brunswick

New Mexico

002657 New Mexico State University, Las Cruces
 002658 New Mexico State University, Alamogordo
 006881 University of New Mexico, Gallup
 008854 New Mexico State University, Grants
 010313 University of New Mexico, Main Campus, Albuquerque
 910313 University of New Mexico, Los Alamos

New York

002666 Adelphi University
 002668 Alfred University
 002681 Canisius College
 002687 C.U.N.Y. Brooklyn College
 002688 C.U.N.Y. City College
 002689 C.U.N.Y. Hunter College
 002690 C.U.N.Y. Queens College
 002698 C.U.N.Y. Staten Island
 002699 Clarkson University
 002701 Colgate University
 002707 Columbia University
 002711 Cornell University, Ithaca
 002722 Fordham University
 002727 Pace University, White Plains
 002728 Hamilton College
 002731 Hobart & William Smith College
 002732 Hofstra University
 002737 Iona College
 002748 LeMoyne College
 002754 Long Island University, C.W. Post
 002755 Long Island University, Southampton
 002758 Manhattan College
 002782 New York Institute of Technology
 002785 New York University
 002788 Niagara University
 002791 Pace University, New York
 002792 Pace University, Pleasantville
 002803 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
 002806 Rochester Institute of Technology
 002816 Siena College
 002823 St. John's University
 002835 S.U.N.Y. at Albany
 002836 S.U.N.Y. at Binghamton
 002837 S.U.N.Y. at Buffalo

002838 S.U.N.Y. at Stony Brook
 002841 S.U.N.Y. College at Brockport
 002842 S.U.N.Y. College of Buffalo
 002847 S.U.N.Y. College Oneonta
 002848 S.U.N.Y. College Oswego
 002882 Syracuse University
 002889 Union College
 002892 U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
 002893 U.S. Military Academy West Point
 002894 University of Rochester
 002899 Wagner College
 002903 Yeshiva University
 007022 C.U.N.Y. Lehman College
 007968 New York Institute of Technology, Old Westbury
 902754 Long Island University, Brentwood
 904804 New York Institute of Technology, Central Islip

North Carolina

002907 University of North Carolina, Asheville
 002918 Davidson College
 002920 Duke University
 002923 East Carolina University
 002950 North Carolina Central University
 002954 Pembroke State University
 002972 North Carolina State University
 002974 University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
 002975 University of North Carolina, Charlotte
 002976 University of North Carolina, Greensboro
 002978 Wake Forest University

North Dakota

002991 University of North Dakota, Devils Lake
 002995 North Dakota State University, Bottineau
 003005 University of North Dakota, Grand Forks
 003007 University of North Dakota, Williston
 009265 North Dakota State University, Fargo

Ohio

003014 Baldwin Wallace College
 003018 Bowling Green State University
 003024 Case Western Reserve University
 003032 Cleveland State University
 003037 College of Wooster
 003042 Denison University

Ohio (continued)

003050 John Carroll University
 003051 Kent State University, Kent
 003052 Kent State University, Ashtabula
 003054 Kent State University, North Canton
 003056 Kent State University, East Liverpool
 003061 Kent State University, Salem
 003062 Kent State University, New Philadelphia
 003064 Kent State University, Warren
 003065 Kenyon College
 003084 Muskingum College
 003100 Ohio University, Athens
 003101 Ohio University, Belmont
 003102 Ohio University, Chillicothe
 003103 Ohio University, Ironton
 003104 Ohio University, Lancaster
 003108 University of Ohio, Zanesville
 003123 University of Akron
 003125 University of Cincinnati
 003127 University of Dayton
 003131 University of Toledo
 003143 Wittenberg University
 003144 Xavier University
 003145 Youngstown State University
 006883 Ohio State University, Columbus
 007104 Miami University, Oxford
 007856 Bowling Green University, Huron
 009168 Wright State University, Dayton

Oklahoma

003152 Central State College
 003154 East Central State University
 003161 Oklahoma State University
 003163 Northeastern State University
 003166 Oklahoma City University
 003165 Oklahoma Christian College
 003170 Oklahoma State University
 003184 University of Oklahoma, Norman
 003185 University of Tulsa
 003985 Oral Roberts University

Oregon

003210 Oregon State University
 003216 Portland State University
 003223 University of Oregon

003224 University of Portland

Pennsylvania

003229 Albright College
 003230 Allegheny College
 003238 Bucknell University
 003253 Dickinson College
 003258 Duquesne University
 003262 Elizabethtown College
 003266 Gannon University
 003279 Juniata College
 003282 Kings College
 003284 Lafayette College
 003289 Lehigh University
 003290 Lincoln University
 003304 Muhlenburg College
 003313 Widener College
 003316 California University of Pennsylvania
 003366 St. Francis College
 003367 St. Joseph's University
 003368 St. Vincent College
 003371 Temple University
 003378 University of Pennsylvania
 003379 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh
 003382 University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown
 003384 University of Scranton
 003385 Ursinus College
 003388 Villanova University
 003389 Washington & Jefferson College
 003394 Wilkes University
 006965 Pennsylvania State University, University Park

Puerto Rico

003936 Catholic University of Puerto Rico
 003937 University of the Sacred Heart
 003940 Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Hato Rey
 003944 University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez
 003945 University of Puerto Rico, San Juan
 007108 University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras
 007206 University of Puerto Rico, Cayey
 009652 University of Puerto Rico, Ponce

Rhode Island

003401 Brown University
 003406 Providence College
 003414 University of Rhode Island

South Carolina

003423 Citadel Military College
 003425 Clemson University
 003428 College of Charleston
 003434 Furman University
 003446 South Carolina State College
 003445 Presbyterian College
 003448 University of South Carolina, Columbia
 003449 University of South Carolina at Aiken
 003450 University of South Carolina at Beaufort
 003457 Wofford College
 004927 University of South Carolina at Union
 009226 Francis Marion College
 012112 University of South Carolina at Sumter

South Dakota

003471 South Dakota State University
 010300 University of South Dakota

Tennessee

003478 Austin Peay State College
 003482 Christian Brothers College
 003487 East Tennessee State University
 003490 Fisk University
 003509 University of Memphis
 003510 Middle Tennessee State University
 003518 Southern Adventist College, Collegedale
 003519 Rhodes College
 003522 Tennessee State University
 003523 Tennessee Technological University
 003529 University of Tennessee, Chattanooga
 003530 University of Tennessee, Knoxville
 003531 University of Tennessee, Martin
 003535 Vanderbilt University

Texas

003537 Abilene Christian University

003541 Angelo State University
 003543 Austin College
 003565 East Texas State University
 003576 Houston Baptist University
 003578 Incarnate Word College
 003581 Lamar University
 003604 Rice University
 003606 Sam Houston State College
 003609 San Jacinto College, Central Campus
 003613 Southern Methodist University
 003615 Southwest Texas State University
 003624 Stephen F. Austin State University
 003636 Texas Christian University
 003639 Texas A & I University
 003642 Texas Southern University
 003644 Texas Technology University
 003645 Texas Wesleyan College
 003647 Trinity University
 003651 University of Dallas
 003652 University of Houston
 003656 University of Texas, Arlington
 003658 University of Texas, Austin
 003661 University of Texas, El Paso
 003665 West Texas State University
 006967 Baylor University
 008163 San Antonio College
 010366 Texas A & M University College Station

Virginia

003721 James Madison University
 003728 Old Dominion University
 003735 Virginia Commonwealth University
 003744 University of Richmond
 003749 George Mason University
 003753 Virginia Military Institute
 003754 Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University
 003766 Virginia Union University
 006968 University of Virginia, Charlottesville

Utah

003670 Brigham Young University
003675 University of Utah
003677 Utah State University
003678 Southern Utah State College
003680 Weber State University

Vermont

003691 Middlebury College
003694 St. Michael's College
00396 University of Vermont & State Agricultural
College

Wisconsin

003838 Carrol College
003863 Marquette University
003892 St. Norbert College
003895 University of Wisconsin, Madison
003896 University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
003899 University of Wisconsin, Green Bay
003917 University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
003918 University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse
003921 University of Wisconsin, Platteville

003924 University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
003925 University of Wisconsin, Superior
003926 University of Wisconsin, Whitewater

Wyoming

003932 University of Wyoming

Washington

003775 Eastern Washington University
003778 Gonzaga University
003785 Pacific Lutheran University
003790 Seattle University
003797 University of Puget Sound
003798 University of Washington
003799 Walla Walla College
003800 Washington State University
003802 Western Washington University

West Virginia

003815 Marshall University
003818 University of Charleston
003827 West Virginia University

DENTAL SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE SCORES

02	University of Alabama	72	Ohio State University
03	Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health	74	Case Western Reserve University
04	University of the Pacific	76	University of Oklahoma
06	University of California, San Francisco	78	Oregon Health and Science University
07	University of California, Los Angeles	80	Temple University
08	University of Southern California	82	University of Pennsylvania
10	Loma Linda University	84	University of Pittsburgh
11	University of Colorado	85	Medical University of South Carolina
12	University of Connecticut	86	Meharry Medical College
16	Howard University	88	University of Tennessee
18	University of Florida	90	Baylor College of Dentistry
21	Nova Southeastern University	92	University of Texas, Houston
22	Medical College of Georgia	93	University of Texas, San Antonio
27	Southern Illinois University	94	Virginia Commonwealth University
28	University of Illinois	96	University of Washington
30	Indiana University	97	West Virginia University
32	University of Iowa	98	Marquette University
33	University of Kentucky	99	University of Puerto Rico
34	University of Louisville		
36	Louisiana State University		Canadian Dental Schools
38	University of Maryland	X0	University of Saskatchewan
40	Harvard School of Dental Medicine	X1	University of Alberta
41	Boston University	X2	University of British Columbia
42	Tufts University	X3	University of Manitoba
44	University of Detroit-Mercy	X4	Dalhousie University
46	University of Michigan	X5	University of Toronto
48	University of Minnesota	X6	University of Western Ontario
49	University of Mississippi	X7	McGill University
52	University of Missouri, Kansas City	X8	University of Montreal
56	Creighton University	X9	University of Laval
58	University of Nebraska		
60	University of New Jersey		
62	Columbia University		
64	New York University		
65	SUNY, Stony Brook		
66	SUNY, Buffalo		
68	University of Nevada at Las Vegas		
70	University of North Carolina		

Confidential Information Form Instructions

A Confidential Information form is to be submitted along with the DAT application. Although test applicants provide a minimum of biographical information on the test application form, the Confidential Information form is a more comprehensive information form. The requested information includes your class standing, gender, ethnic identification, financial status, major field of study, etc. This information will be kept confidential and used for national studies related to the testing program. You will not be penalized for leaving some questions unanswered.

Box #16. Name

Please print your last name, first name and middle initial. Your name should be the same as on the application.

Box #17. U.S. Social Security number or Canadian Social Insurance number

This number should be the same as on your application. If you do not have either number, please leave the boxes and circles blank.

Box #18. Gender

Box #19. Ethnic Identification (Optional)

Please select the most appropriate categories and blacken the corresponding circles. For clarification, several categories have been expanded below. More than one circle may be blackened.

American Indian or Alaskan Native

Asian or Pacific Islander

Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Vietnamese, Other Southeast Asian, Indian or Pakistani,
Hawaiian, Philippine, Other Pacific Island, Other Asian

Black, Not Hispanic

Hispanic

Mexican-American/Chicano, Puerto Rican, Mainland resident, Commonwealth resident,
Other Hispanic

White, Not-Hispanic

Box #20. Size of City

Please select the most appropriate description of the size of the city or town which was your principal residence during high school. Blacken the appropriate circle.

Box #21. High School Rank

Select the appropriate percentile group for your rank in your high school class. Blacken the appropriate circle.

Box #22. Extracurricular Activities

Blacken the circle(s) of any listed extracurricular activities in which you participate.

Box #23. Pre-dental College Major

Blacken the circle which indicates your predental college major. Mark only one.

Box #24. Pre-dental Education

Blacken the circle which indicates the amount of pre-dental education you have completed at this time.

Box #25. College Grade Point Average

Blacken the circle which indicates your cumulative (college/university) grade point average.

Box #26. Science Grade Point Average

Blacken the circle that indicates your cumulative science grade point average.

Box #27. Review Course

Indicate whether you have taken a review course to prepare for the DAT by blackening the appropriate circle.

Box #28. Duration of Review Course

If you answered "yes" to review course, blacken the appropriate circle indicating the length of the course.

Box #29. Other Admissions Tests

Blacken the appropriate circle indicating whether you have taken (or plan to take) the MCAT, OAT, VAT, PCAT or the AHPAT.

Box #30. Enrollment

Blacken the circle which indicates the year you plan on enrolling in a dental school. If undecided, leave blank.

Box #31. Anticipated Financial Indebtedness

Blacken the circle that indicates your anticipated financial indebtedness (excluding home mortgages) at the time of matriculation into dental school.

Box #32. Sources of Funding

Estimate the percentage of dental education expected to be financed by the four sources listed. Blacken the appropriate percentage for each source of funds. The total sum of the percentages from the four sources should equal 100%.

Box #33. Father's Occupation

From the occupational categories provided, blacken the appropriate circle for your father's occupation.

Box #34. Father's Education

Blacken the appropriate circle indicating the level of your father's education.

Box #35. Mother's Occupation

From the occupational categories provided, blacken the appropriate circle for your mother's occupation.

Box #36. Mother's Education

Blacken the appropriate circle indicating the level of your mother's education.

Box #37. Parents' Net Income

Estimate and blacken the circle which indicates your parents' combined net annual income.

Box #38. Household Language

Blacken the appropriate circle indicating whether English is the dominant language spoken in your household.

Please review the forms to see that you have completed them correctly. Please use the envelope provided for returning your application, fee and any letters that may be required for eligibility requirements or for special accommodations for a disability. *Do not staple your fee, letters, etc. to the application. Do not fold the application.* Postage is required on the envelope. If you send other letters, etc., additional postage may be required. Please note that certified or registered mail generally takes longer to reach the Department of Testing Services than first class mail, and mail from Canada and foreign countries will also require additional postage and time to reach the Department of Testing Services. Do not send cash, stamps or foreign currency: only money orders and cashier's checks payable in U.S. currency are acceptable.

Scheduling Testing Appointment

After the application and fee payment are processed, the Prometric Contact Center will receive notification of the examinee's eligibility for DAT testing. Upon receipt of the completed application and fee, a letter will be sent to the examinee with instructions to call 800-688-5804 or visit www.prometric.com to schedule the day, time, and Prometric Testing Center to take the DAT. A list of Prometric Testing Centers can be found at www.prometric.com. When scheduling electronically, you will be asked to select your area of study/choose: Professional Licensure and Certification), your region (choose: United States), your state (choose the state in which you choose to take the test) and hit the *next button*, then select Exam Confirmation and you will be prompted to enter your confirmation number. Enter the first four letters of your last name. If the last name is less than four characters, enter your complete last name. In order to view the appointment information, both the confirmation number and examinee's last name information must match.

The examinee is eligible for a 12-month period. If you do not schedule an appointment during this period, the examinee will have to submit another application and fee in order to take the test later. The eligibility period will not be extended. The fee will not be refunded.

It is the responsibility of the examinee to complete clearly and accurately all portions of the paper or electronic applications. No application can be processed unless the completed application form and fee are received at the same time. Incomplete or incorrect applications will be returned. Requests for changes in address will be processed if a written request is received before the test is taken. Requests may be faxed to 312-587-4105. Provide your name, Social Security number or Social Insurance number, former address, and new address.

Confirming Testing Appointment

Examinees can confirm their testing appointment by calling the Prometric Call Center or electronically at www.prometric.com. After scheduling with the Prometric Contact Center, you should confirm the details of the appointment at www.prometric.com. If you find any discrepancies, you must call the Prometric Contact Center immediately. You can confirm your appointment as often as you like. You should print the confirmation page for your records and confirm your appointments well in advance of the requirement for canceling or rescheduling appointments of at least three full business days.

Canceling or Rescheduling Testing Appointment

The Prometric Contact Center requires notification at least 48 hours before the scheduled DAT to cancel or reschedule an appointment for testing at a Prometric Testing Center. No-shows, or examinees who cancel less than 48 hours before the scheduled testing date, will neither be reassigned to another date nor will they receive a refund. Leaving a message is not sufficient to cancel or reschedule an appointment. A local test center cannot schedule, reschedule or cancel your appointment.

Testing Fees

The DAT fee is \$175. This fee includes the submission of official score reports to five dental schools, a personal copy of scores, and a copy of scores for the pre-dental advisor. *The five official score reports are included only if they are indicated on the original application.* All requests for official score reports received after the time of application require a \$25 fee per copy. Fees are not refundable or transferable.

All fees are payable only in U.S. dollars; money order or certified check. All cash and personal checks will be returned. Members of the ADA or ASDA may write a personal check, but their membership number must be recorded on the check. Make the certified check or money order payable to the Dental Admission Testing Program. These fees are in no way related to the AADSAS. Electronic DAT applications and electronic score report requests are payable only by credit card.

If payment of a test fee is uncollectible, the examinee's scores are withheld until payment is received. A replacement payment must be made by certified check or money order payable to the American Dental Association. An additional fee of \$25 is required for uncollectible fees and must be included with the replacement payment. If an examinee has not resolved a debt within 60 days after a testing date, the examinee's scores from the test date are destroyed unless the examinee received a failing score.

Partial Fee Waivers

Partial fee waivers for the DAT are available to examinees in cases of severe financial hardship. The waiver is 50% of test fees and includes the fee for the test and the five official score reports. There is the customary charge for all score reports beyond five.

Fee waivers must be requested in writing by the examinee. A financial information form will be provided to the examinee. This financial information form should be completed and submitted with the application and pre-dental advisor's letter at least two months before the testing date. The Dental Admission Testing Program will review all fee waiver requests and make the final decision regarding the fee waiver. *Only a very limited number of fee waivers are available.*

An examinee is eligible for a partial fee waiver if he/she is a first time tester, a U.S. citizen or resident alien, and has applied for financial aid at their school. Fee waivers are granted on a first-come basis to eligible examinees that have submitted their request with a completed DAT application, completed fee waiver financial information form and letter from their pre-dental advisor. Examinees who have previously received a fee waiver or who have taken the DAT before are not eligible for an additional fee waiver.

TESTING PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS

The Dental Admission Testing Program has established rules that govern the administration of the DAT to ensure that no examinee or group of examinees receives unfair advantage on the test. Test regulations are intended to preserve the integrity of the test process by providing standard test administration conditions that yield valid and reliable results. Unauthorized access to test content prior to testing, breaching the confidentiality of the test content or any attempt to subvert the test process violates the purpose and principles of the test.

Rules of Conduct

Each examinee should be truthful in completing the application and must abide by all instructions regarding the conduct of the test, whether oral or written. Failure to comply with test regulations and rules of conduct may result in a determination of an irregularity and your test results may be withheld, cancelled and/or considered invalid. You may also be directed to leave the test center before you have completed the test. If your scores are withheld as the result of an irregularity, you may be prohibited from testing for up to two years. By applying for the Dental Admission Test an examinee agrees to abide by the following rules of conduct:

1. You are the person who has registered for the test for the purpose of gaining entrance to dental school and presented for testing with valid identification. You may not take the test for someone else.
2. You will not give, receive, or obtain any form of unauthorized assistance during the test or breaks.
3. You will maintain the confidentiality of the test. You will not reproduce or attempt to reproduce test materials through memorization, recording or other means. You will not provide information relating to test content that may provide unfair advantage to other examinees, including electronic posting of information regarding test content or answers.
4. You will not bring any unauthorized materials to the test center or into the testing area.

5. You will not remove materials in any form (written, printed, recorded, remembered or other) from the test center.
6. You will comply with test center policies and procedures and follow the instructions of the test administrator. You will not create a disturbance in the testing center.
7. You will not tamper with the computer testing equipment and facilities.
8. You will comply fully with any investigations of irregular behavior.

Examinees cannot disclose (in whole or in part) any test questions or answers to anyone during or after the test, whether orally, in writing, on Internet chat rooms or blogs, or otherwise. The Dental Admission Test is a secure test, protected by U.S. copyright laws. Any unauthorized disclosure of the test's contents could result in civil liability, criminal penalties, and/or cancellation of test scores. Examinees are encouraged to report any Internet or other activities that disclose information about test questions, so that the Department of Testing Services may investigate and take any necessary action.

Test Center Procedures

Examinees are responsible for being present at the test center at the scheduled time. Examinees who report late may not be allowed to participate in the test, depending on the time of arrival and schedule of test appointments. Prometric Test Center administrators will determine whether there is sufficient time and space to administer the test. If an examinee arrives late and cannot be seated, the examinee will forfeit the test fee and must submit another application and fee.

In cases of inclement weather, natural disaster or other local conditions that may cause unavoidable interruptions to testing, the Department of Testing Services and Prometric will make reasonable efforts to notify examinees and reschedule test appointments.

Prior to testing, examinees should review all information regarding the test and Test Center Procedures. Examinees are expected to understand and comply with Test Center Regulations. Examinees are encouraged to review information related to testing at www.prometric.com.

1. When you arrive at the Prometric Test Center to take the test, two original, current forms of identification will be requested. One form must be a government issued ID, bearing a photograph and a signature. Examples of acceptable primary forms (bearing a photograph and signature) are a driver's license or a passport. *There must be at least one ID that has both picture and a signature.* Examples of secondary forms (IDs that require only a signature) are a debit card, a library card, a credit card, etc.

The name on your ID must agree exactly with the name on your DAT application file. Examinees with conflicting IDs will be refused admission to the Prometric Test Center and, as a result, miss their scheduled appointment and lose their application fee. Examinees that have changed their name recently must ensure that their DAT application records agree with their IDs. Any change to the applicants' record takes several business days to complete. If you have any questions concerning types of acceptable identification, please call the Department of Testing Services office at 800-232-1694.

2. At the Prometric Test Center, examinees will be photographed and fingerprinted before proceeding with testing.
3. Examinees must have their Social Security number or Social Insurance number or assigned number with them.
4. You will have an opportunity to become familiar with the working of the computer by taking a brief tutorial before beginning the actual test.
5. You will be observed at all times while you are taking the test. This observation will include direct observation by test center staff as well as video recording of your test session. Test center staff may not necessarily inform you of their observations, but they are required to report behavior that violates the Rules of conduct, the Test Regulations or other forms of irregular behavior.
6. Test center staff is not authorized to answer questions from examinees regarding test content, test software, or scoring.
7. Examinees with watch alarms must turn them off so that the alarm does not beep. Cellular telephones are not allowed anywhere in the test center, and may not be used on an unscheduled break. Eating and drinking are not permitted in the test room.
8. The test administrator and proctors are responsible for the operations of the facility, maintaining order and administering the test according to established procedures. The test center administrator/supervisor is authorized to dismiss an examinee from a test session for violating the Rules of Conduct and/or Test Regulations.

Test Regulations

The Department of Testing Services has established rules that govern the administration of the Dental Admission Test to ensure that no examinee or group of examinees receives unfair advantage on the test. Test regulations, along with the Rules of conduct and the Test Center Procedures are intended to preserve the integrity of the testing process by providing standard testing administration conditions that yield valid and reliable results. Unauthorized access to test content prior to testing, breaching the confidentiality of the test content or any attempt to subvert the testing process violates the purpose and principles of the test.

1. No personal belongings or miscellaneous items are permitted in the secure testing area. Any personal belongings brought to the test center must be stored in a designated locker or storage cubicle. Storage facilities are limited. Upon reasonable suspicion, your personal belongings may be inspected. Notes or any materials that appear to contain test content may be confiscated.
2. Items that are prohibited from the secure testing area include, but are not limited to the following:
 - a. Books, notes, study materials or scratch paper; dental instruments, models or materials
 - b. Slide rules, paper, calculating devices, rulers or other measuring devices
 - c. Electronic devices, such as telephones, pagers, recording devices, personal digital assistants (PDAs), radios or stereos with headsets
 - d. Handbags; purses, wallets, backpacks, briefcases
 - e. Highlighters, pens, erasers, mechanical pencils, dictionaries, and translators
 - f. Food, candy, gum, water or other beverages

- g. Outerwear, such as coats, jackets, gloves
- 3. Examinees may request a dry erase board to be used during the test. The dry erase board must be returned to the test administrator before leaving the Prometric Test Center.
- 4. **Examinees are not permitted to engage in conversation while on a break. Use of a telephone on an unscheduled break is prohibited.**
- 5. Test center administrators will report the activity of examinees who take unscheduled breaks. Examinees may not study or refer to notes or texts while on an unscheduled break. Examinees may not access personal belongings or prohibited items (listed in #2 above) during unscheduled breaks and may not leave the test center.
- 6. Although the test is administered under strict supervision and security, test irregularities may sometimes occur. On rare occasions, test scores may be voided based upon a breach of test security, invalid test conditions, or violation of Test Regulations or Test Center Rules of Conduct. Examinees are responsible for protecting the integrity of their answers. If cheating is detected during the test, or evidence of irregular behavior is disclosed when the tests are scored, or later, those involved, will have their test scores voided.

Failure to comply with Test Regulations and Rules of Conduct may result in a determination of an irregularity and your test results may be withheld, cancelled and/or considered invalid. You may also be directed to leave the test center before you have completed the test. If your scores are withheld as the result of an irregularity, you may be prohibited from testing for up to two years.

Irregularities and Appeals

An irregularity is defined as a situation in which a test fails to measure the ability of an examinee. Potential reasons for failure to measure the ability of an examinee may include, but are not be limited to, communication between or among examinees, inappropriate or unauthorized access to test content, or the disruption of test administrations (including natural disasters and other emergencies). Evidence of an irregularity may be in the form of a report from a test administrator.

If an examinee finds testing facilities too crowded or poorly arranged to protect his or her answers, the examinee should immediately register a complaint with the test administrator. If corrective action is not taken immediately, the examinee is urged to register a complaint in writing with the Department of Testing Services immediately following completion of the test. Also, examinees should record any unresolved problem after the last testing session in the appropriate section of the post-test survey.

When an irregularity is reported by a test administrator or noted during the processing of test results, scores of the examinee or examinees involved will be withheld and may be voided.

An examinee whose scores are being withheld is notified by mail. A copy of the *Regulations Related to Irregularities* is provided to the examinee or examinees whose scores are being withheld, as well as specific information regarding the appeal process.

Examinees should be aware that the Dental Admission Testing Program considers irregularities other than natural disasters and emergencies beyond the control of the examinee to be a serious breach of the test process. Moreover, examinees should be aware that reports of irregularities may have consequences which

go beyond the withholding of the examinee's scores if the irregularities are brought to the attention of the school authorities. The Dental Admission Testing Program, however, does not initiate such communication.

Examinees can report suspicious activity or observations of violations of testing regulations to the Dental Admission Testing Program at 800-232-2162 or by e-mail to NBDEA@ada.org.

In accordance with its rules, the Dental Admission Testing Program may consider an appeal. An appeal must be submitted in writing and must include adequate documentation. An examinee's appeal may include documentation that he/she believes supports his or her appeal. The appeal should also indicate the specific relief requested. Please contact the Department of Testing Services for further information.

Appeals pertaining to test results must be initiated within 60 days after test results are sent.

The examinee will be notified of the Dental Admissions Testing Program's action within 60 days after receipt of the appeal. When considering an appeal, the Dental Admission Testing Program will strive to ensure that the appealing examinee has an opportunity equal to, but not greater than, the opportunity provided to other examinees.

Arbitration Requirement

Arbitration has become an increasingly common way to resolve legal differences. The advantages of arbitration over traditional lawsuits are that, generally, arbitration is less expensive and issues are resolved in less time. If an examinee wishes to pursue a dispute that has not been resolved by the appeal process mentioned above and detailed in the “*Dental Admission Testing Program Appeal Process*” the examinee must use the procedure described in the following Agreement to Arbitrate.

AGREEMENT TO ARBITRATE

- 1) In the event that any legal dispute arises between you and the American Dental Association in connection with your participation in the Dental Admission Test where that dispute is not resolved by the appeals process detailed in the Examinee's Guide and elsewhere, you agree that the exclusive means for resolving the dispute shall be Binding Arbitration as described by the terms of this Agreement. This means that you waive the rights you may have to resolve the dispute in a court of law, or by any other means that might otherwise be available to you.
- 2) The American Dental Association ("ADA") agrees to be similarly bound except that the ADA reserves its full rights to pursue injunctive and other appropriate relief in any state or federal court in cases of unfair competition or violations of, or threats to violate, any intellectual property rights of the ADA. With respect to any action filed by the ADA pursuant to this paragraph 2, you consent to submit to the jurisdiction of the state or federal court in which the ADA seeks relief.
- 3) Arbitration proceedings initiated pursuant to this Agreement to Arbitrate shall be conducted in accordance with the then current rules of the American Arbitration Association. The Arbitration and any proceedings relating to it shall be held in Chicago, Illinois. The arbitrator's award shall be binding and may be entered as a judgment in any court of competent jurisdiction. Information about the American Arbitration Association, its rules, and its forms are available from the American Arbitration Association, 335 Madison Avenue, Floor 10, New York, New York, 10017-4605.
- 4) In the event of Arbitration, the parties shall bear their own costs and attorneys' fees associated with the Arbitration proceedings, unless the arbitrator directs one of the parties to pay the other's costs, or attorneys' fees, or both.
- 5) To the fullest extent permitted by law, no Arbitration brought pursuant to this Agreement shall be joined to any Arbitration involving any other party whether through "Class Arbitration" proceedings or otherwise.
- 6) This Agreement is part of the Application to take the Dental Admission Test. Your assent to be bound by it is a requirement for taking the test, but you can only sit for the test if you also fulfill all other conditions imposed by the American Dental Association.

TEST CONTENT

Scope of the Test

The test is comprised exclusively of multiple-choice test items presented in the English language. Each edition of a test is developed according to the test outline. There are four tests included in the Dental Admission Testing Program.

Test Specifications

The Dental Admission Testing Program consists of the following four tests:

I. Survey of the Natural Sciences

Biology: Cell and Molecular Biology - origin of life; cell metabolism (including photosynthesis)/enzymology; cellular processes: thermodynamics; organelle structure and function; mitosis/meiosis; cell structure; experimental cell biology; *Diversity of Life: Biological Organization and Relationship of Major Taxa* (monera, plantae, animalia, protista, fungi, etc.) using the five-kingdom system; *Vertebrate Anatomy and Physiology: Structure and Function of Systems* - integumentary, skeletal, muscular, circulatory, immunological, digestive, respiratory, urinary, nervous/senses, endocrine, and reproductive; *Developmental Biology* - fertilization, descriptive embryology, developmental mechanisms; experimental embryology; *Genetics* - molecular genetics, human genetics, classical genetics, chromosomal genetics, genetic technology; *Evolution, Ecology, and Behavior* - natural selection, population genetics/speciation, cladistics, population and community ecology, ecosystems, animal behavior (including social behavior).

General Chemistry: Stoichiometry and General Concepts - percent composition, empirical formulae, balancing equations, moles and molecular formulas, molar mass, density, and calculations from balanced equations; *Gases* - kinetic molecular theory of gases, Dalton's, Boyle's, Charles', and ideal gas laws; *Liquids and Solids* - intermolecular forces, phase changes, vapor pressure, structures, polarity, and properties; *Solutions* - polarity, properties (colligative, non-colligative), forces, and concentration calculations; *Acids and Bases* - pH, strength, Bronsted-Lowry reactions, and calculations; *Chemical Equilibria* - molecular, acid/base, precipitation, calculations, and Le Chatelier's principle; *Thermodynamics and Thermochemistry* - laws of thermodynamics, Hess' law, spontaneity, enthalpies and entropies, and heat transfer; *Chemical Kinetics* - rate laws, activation energy, and half life; *Oxidation-Reduction Reactions* - balancing equations, determination of oxidation numbers, electrochemical calculations, and electrochemical concepts and terminology; *Atomic and Molecular Structure* - electron configuration, orbital types, Lewis-Dot diagrams, atomic theory, quantum theory, molecular geometry, bond types, and sub-atomic particles; *Periodic Properties* - representative elements, transition elements, periodic trends, and descriptive chemistry; *Nuclear Reactions* - balancing equations, binding energy, decay processes, particles, and terminology; *Laboratory* - basic techniques, equipment, error analysis, safety, and data analysis.

Organic Chemistry: Mechanisms (Energetics, Structure, and Stability of Intermediates) - S_N1 , S_N2 , elimination, addition, free radical, and substitution mechanisms; *Chemical and Physical Properties of Molecules and Organic Analysis* - inter- and intra-molecular forces, separation, introductory infrared spectroscopy, ^1H NMR spectroscopy, ^{13}C NMR, chemical identification, stability, solubility, and polarity; *Stereochemistry* - conformational analysis, geometric isomers, stereoisomers (enantiomers, diastereomers, meso compounds), optical activity (planes of symmetry); *Nomenclature* - IUPAC rules and functional groups in molecules; *Individual Reactions of the Major Functional Groups and Combinations of Reactions to Synthesize Compounds* - carbon-to-carbon bond formation, functional groups conversions, multistep synthesis, redox reactions, name reactions, Grignard, Witting, Diels-Alder, Aldol reaction; *Acid-Base Chemistry* - resonance effects, inductive effects, and prediction of products and equilibria; *Aromatics and Bonding* - concept of aromaticity, resonance, atomic/molecular orbitals, hybridization, bond angles/lengths.

II. Perceptual Ability

Angle discrimination, form development cubes, orthographic projections, apertures, and paper folding.

III. Reading Comprehension

The ability to read, organize, analyze, and remember new information in dental and basic sciences; ability to comprehend thoroughly when studying scientific information. Reading materials are typical of materials encountered in the first year of dental school and require no prior knowledge of the topic other than a basic undergraduate preparation in science. The Reading Comprehension Test contains three reading passages.

IV. Quantitative Reasoning

Mathematical Problems: Algebra - equations and expressions, inequalities, exponential notation, absolute value, ratios and proportions, and graphical analysis; Numerical calculations - fractions and decimals, percentages, approximations and scientific notation; Conversions - temperature, time, weight, and distance; Probability and Statistics; Geometry; Trigonometry, and Applied Mathematics (word) Problems.

Test Preparation Materials

The DAT preparation materials contain samples of the four tests used in the Dental Admission Testing Program and are available at www.ada.org. These materials are available to test applicants as a means of discovering possible areas of weakness in their comprehension of subjects covered on the test. They also enable examinees to become familiar with the types of materials included in the test, as well as the general format of the various parts of the test battery.

A tutorial to familiarize the examinee with the mechanics of taking the DAT on computer is available at www.ada.org. The tutorial does not include sample DAT content, but it does provide the opportunity to become familiar with the basic steps involved in proceeding through the test. At the Prometric Testing Center, the examinee will be able to become familiar with the workings of the computer by taking a brief optional tutorial before beginning the actual test.

There are no shortcuts to the process of learning, and these test preparation materials are not designed to provide the applicant with an opportunity to bypass the extensive process of absorbing basic information through class participation and months of study.

The Dental Admission Testing Program does not endorse any test preparation courses and has no data on the content or efficacy of test preparation courses designed to prepare examinees to take the DAT. The Department of Testing Services urges individuals considering participating in test preparation courses to review carefully the course materials to ensure that they reflect the current content of the DAT.

SCORE INFORMATION

Scoring of Test

Dental Admission Test scores are based on the number of correct responses; therefore, examinees are not penalized for guessing.

The results are reported to dental schools in terms of standard scores rather than raw scores or percentile equivalents. Through the use of standard scores it is possible to compare the performance of one examinee with the performance of all examinees. Scores used in the testing program range from 1 to 30. There are no passing or failing scores; the standard score of 17 typically signifies average performance on a national basis.

Each test includes equating and pretest questions. The purpose of the equating questions is to form a link among tests administered on different dates, so that examinee's standard scores can be placed on the same measurement scale. Because of these equating questions, examinee's scores have the same meaning regardless of the test they were administered. Unscored pretest questions are included on the test in order to gather information. This information is used in the test construction process to insure that these questions are appropriate before they are included among the scored items.

Test Validity

There are two characteristics that allow users to evaluate the quality of a test. These are reliability and validity. Reliability refers to the degree to which test scores are consistent across administrations of the test. If test scores are reliable, then they are dependable and repeatable for an individual examinee. The findings of annual studies clearly indicate that DAT scores are highly reliable.

Validity refers to the extent to which the test measures what it purports to measure. For the DAT, one approach to evaluating the validity is to correlate scores to grades in schools and colleges/schools of dentistry.

Validity studies are available containing correlations between test scores and dental grades. These reports are available at www.ada.org.

A number of procedures are used to insure that tests are fair to all examinees regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, or regional background. The test construction process involves a review of questions to insure that they are not differentially familiar to any groups of individuals. Further, as part of the test analysis process, test-question data are analyzed for fairness. Any questions that may appear differentially familiar are evaluated and, if appropriate, modified.

Score Reports

Immediately upon completion of the DAT, a test score report and explanation is provided directly to each examinee at the Prometric Testing Center. The report includes both standard scores and percentile equivalents. This unofficial report is subject to review and audit for accuracy before official reporting of scores. These are the examinees' personal copies. No other score report will be sent to the examinee. Official results will be sent directly to dental schools approximately three to four weeks after the test.

It is suggested that each examinee confer with the pre-dental advisor regarding test results. Scores will be automatically sent directly to the predental advisor if indicated on the application, although at a later date.

When an examinee repeats the tests, the results of the three most recent attempts are released on the official score report forwarded to the dental schools, and for all examinees, the total number of attempts is listed.

All U.S. dental schools require an official DAT score report for each examinee. An official score report will be sent to the dental schools requested on the Dental Admission Test application. It is best to have an official score report sent to each of the dental schools to which you are considering application even though you have not yet completed filing admission applications to these schools. Requests for score reports after the test are subject to delay and additional expense. Once an application for scores has been made, no changes will be allowed.

Although the Dental Admission Test scores are the property of the American Dental Association, scores will not be released without specific written authorization by the examinee. Test scores will be kept on file indefinitely, thereby making it possible to send scores to other programs in the future when requested by the examinees. When requesting additional official score reports, examinees must specify their U.S. Social Security number, Canadian Social Insurance number, or assigned number, the month and the year when the test was taken, and include the appropriate fee. Score reports that are sent directly to the examinee will be labeled *Examinee Copy* and are considered unofficial. Additional score report requests may be made electronically at www.ada.org. Additional score reports require five to 10 business days for processing.

It is the policy of the Dental Admission Testing Program that once an examinee has taken the test; those scores *cannot* be voided at the request of the examinee.

Requests for changes in the dental schools receiving official reports of scores will not be accepted after the application has been submitted. Also, requests not to send scores to a school listed on the application will not be accepted. Please retain a copy of the schools receiving your test scores.

Score Audits

Before official DAT score reports are distributed to dental schools, the Department of Testing Services audits all responses to items in order to confirm the accuracy of the scores. The Department of Testing Services also reviews test center reports regarding irregularities and violations of test regulations. For a period of 30 days after scores are mailed, the Dental Admission Testing Program is willing to audit the responses of an examinee upon written request. The fee for an audit is \$50.00 payable to the American Dental Association by a cashier's check or money order.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Dental School Admission: ASDA Resources

The American Student Dental Association (ASDA), a student-run organization since 1971, is dedicated to meeting the informational needs of dental students and prospective dental students. As someone interested in a career in dentistry, you are eligible for ASDA's predental membership. ASDA predental membership dues are \$50, which include:

Getting Into Dental School: ASDA's Guide for Predental Students, is a comprehensive guide devoted to information on dental school admission requirements and tests, how to apply for dental school, educational costs, clinical requirements, financial aid, scholarships and loans, ASDA membership benefits, and more.

ASDA News, a monthly newsletter reporting association news, dental student opinion, and information about events at ASDA chapters throughout the country. Features include *ASDA World Turns* and *ADA's Q&A*.

Mouth: Journal of the American Student Dental Association, a quarterly publication featuring in-depth articles on issues and developments of interest to young dental professionals. Regular departments include *Word of Mouth*: humorous and anecdotal news about the industry; *Book Review*: a look at the newest books of use to dental students; *Marketplace*: a review of new dental products; *Whatever it takes*: a student's perspective on surviving dental school; *Archives*: A

historical perspective of dentistry; and *Opinion*: a forum for expressing ideas about industry issues and how they affect students.

Leadership development opportunities. Become an active member of ASDA by starting an ASDA Chapter at your school.

As an ASDA pre dental member, you are also eligible for unique loan programs, discounts on DAT preparation materials, auto insurance, car rentals, the ASDA credit card, an online bookstore and free life insurance. Please call 800-621-8099 (x 2795) or visit www.asdanet.org for further information.

Associated American Dental Schools Application Service (AADSAS) at the American Dental Education Association (ADEA)

The American Dental Education Association (ADEA) and the American Dental Association (ADA) are separate associations. All inquiries concerning the dental school application service (not the DAT) should be directed to AADSAS at ADEA.

AADSAS is available to all students applying to dental schools participating in the program. AADSAS simplifies the application process for students by providing one standardized form, relieving applicants of the need to complete multiple applications. Dental schools benefit by receiving uniform information on all applicants. AADSAS serves as an information clearinghouse, and does not influence any school's appraisal or selection of applicants.

Admission to dental school is competitive; in order to select those schools where your application will have the greatest chance of success, you should review the *Official Guide to Dental School* available from the ADEA, 1400 K Street, NW, Washington, D.C., 20005. (202-298-7201 and/or www.adea.org). This publication contains useful information concerning specific dental school prerequisites, financial assistance, and the cost of a dental education, the AADSAS, and other areas of interest to prospective dental students.

If you decide to apply to any of the dental schools participating in AADSAS, you must file your application through AADSAS. There is no charge for the AADSAS application materials. Questions regarding AADSAS can be directed to 800-353-2237.

How to Apply to AADSAS

To initiate your application to any of the schools participating in AADSAS, you may apply electronically at www.adea.org (click on AADSAS) or download a paper application from www.adea.org.

Each participating school has its own specific requirements regarding the payment of a separate application fee, if any, and the submission of supplemental materials (such as letters of recommendation, score reports etc). The additional requirements are listed in the Supplemental Materials section of the AADSAS instructions. Also, all schools require official DAT score reports from the Department of Testing Services, American Dental Association.

AADSAS Processing Fee

The AADSAS processing fee for the Fall 2007 entering class is \$195 for the first school and \$60 for each additional school up to 10; \$50 for each additional school from 11-20; and \$25 for each additional school after 20. Requests for additional schools made after your original request has been received are processed

for an extra fee. AADSAS fees cover the cost of processing your materials and preparing statistical analyses, which assist both dental educators and pre-dental advisors.